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Four men convicted in violent East 79th Street home invasion

Jury renders guilty verdict in October 2013 Northside home invasion case

(Indianapolis, Ind.) – Marion County Prosecutor Terry Curry announced today that a jury has convicted four defendants for their roles in a violent home invasion and assault that occurred on E. 79th Street on October 29, 2013. Adrian Anthony, Demetre Brown, Alexander Dupree, and Michael Pugh were convicted of multiple felonies for the early morning robbery and assault of a couple and their adult daughter.

Adrian Anthony: Guilty on all 28 counts.

Demetre Brown: Guilty on four counts Rape (Class A Felony), two counts Attempt Criminal Deviate Conduct (Class A Felony), Robbery (Class A Felony), Burglary (Class A Felony), three counts Carjacking (Class B Felony), three counts Criminal Confinement (Class B Felony), two counts Robbery (Class B Felony), Aggravated Battery (Class B Felony), two counts Intimidation (Class C Felony), Battery (Class C Felony)

Alexander Dupree: Guilty on four counts Rape (Class A Felony), two counts Criminal Deviate Conduct (Class A Felony), two counts Attempt Criminal Deviate Conduct (Class A Felony), Robbery (Class A Felony), Burglary (Class A Felony), three counts Carjacking (Class B Felony), three counts Criminal Confinement (Class B Felony), two counts Robbery (Class B Felony), Aggravated Battery (Class B Felony), two counts Intimidation (Class C Felony), Battery (Class C Felony), Battery (Class A Misdemeanor)

Michael Pugh: Guilty on four counts Rape (Class A Felony), two counts Attempt Criminal Deviate Conduct (Class A Felony), Robbery (Class A Felony), Burglary (Class A Felony), three counts Carjacking (Class B Felony), three counts Criminal Confinement (Class B Felony), two counts Robbery (Class B Felony), Aggravated Battery (Class B Felony), two counts Intimidation (Class C Felony), Battery (Class C Felony)

A sentencing hearing has been set for April 8 at 1:30 PM in Criminal Court 4.

Trae Spells was also charged in the crime and pleaded guilty to Rape, Criminal Deviate Conduct, and Robbery. Spells is also charged in an earlier home invasion that took place on Spring Mill Road and has pleaded guilty to Burglary in that case. His plea and sentence have been taken under advisement by the court until the cases against his co-defendants and those charged with assisting crimes have been resolved. He faces up to 80 years in the Indiana Department of Correction under the plea agreement.

A sixth defendant, Isaiah Hill (aka Zeke Hill) is being held in Texas on unrelated charges. He has been charged in Marion County with 35 counts for his alleged involvement in the home invasion.

Anthony and Pugh still face 40 total counts each for their alleged involvement in a home invasion that took place on North Spring Mill Road incident on October 24, 2013. In addition, Trae Spells and a fourth defendant, Taiwan Lundy, are charged in that incident. The case is expected to be set for a jury trial this spring in Criminal Court 6.

Six additional suspects are charged in connection with at least one of the two crimes. The cases of the following six defendants are pending in Criminal Court 6.

- Amber Deckard: Charged with Assisting a Criminal (C Felony), Auto Theft (D Felony) and Theft (D Felony).
- James Phillips: Charged with Assisting a Criminal (C Felony) and Theft (D Felony).
- Ira Marsh: Charged with Assisting a Criminal (C Felony) and Theft (D Felony).
- Jade Lundy: Charged with Assisting a Criminal (C Felony) and Theft (D Felony).
- Renee Washington: Charged with Assisting a Criminal (C Felony) and Theft (D Felony).
- Sierra White: Charged with Assisting a Criminal (C Felony).

A charge of a crime is merely an accusation, and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.